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MRS. DEAN URGES WORLD PEACE FORCE

On Oct. 19, 1944, at the Alpha Delta Phi Hall Vera Micheles Dean, research director and editor for the Foreign Policy Association since 1938 lectured on post-war peace problems. The major portion of the talk related to plans drawn up at the recent Dumbarton Oaks Conference.

Mrs. Dean stressed the need for sincere cooperation among the world powers and for the creation in the not too distant future of an international police force to curb countries with belligerent ideas. Both the faculty and student body participated in a mild question period at the end of her talk.

A.J.F.

MEMO TO A. WOOLLCOTT RE: CHARLATANS

If ordinary mortals turn over in their graves upon hearing of events important to them, we would hate to say what Alexander Woollcott will do when he learns that once again the Charlatans "speak the speech" for Hamilton audiences.

The reorganization of Hamilton's dramatics society (co-founded, if you have not already guessed, by A. Woollcott in 1909) is far beyond the talking stage. The group under the guidance of Mr. Johnston has elected officers and has decided upon a play to be given during the House Party weekend.

Dwight Carter is president, Heinz Wiegelmiesser is treasurer (which is just a very fine title at the moment) and Peter Ostroff is secretary.

Eugene O'Neill's powerful "IN THE ZONE" is the first play scheduled and if the hopes of the nine members of the group are realized it will start the Charlatans off with a bang.

D.A.T.

STUDENT COUNCIL GETS INTO ACTION

The Student Council met on November 8 after the general student meeting to make plans for the forthcoming house-party. Assignments were given out to every member to investigate the costs of carrying out the plans made at the general meeting. Every effort will be made to make the party a success and at the same time keep the cost of the party at a minimum.

The Council is eager to know what the boys want on the open Saturday afternoon so arrangements can be made as soon as possible. The Council is also open to suggestions on other phases of the party. It is now up to the fellows to get dates as soon as possible.

D.C.S.

PROFESSOR WITH LECTURES ON ART

Continuing with the College's plan to introduce cultural studies to Freshmen, Professor Karl With of the College faculty has arranged a series of ten lectures to be delivered during the full term.

Dr. With will emphasize the function of art in relation to man's physical, mental, spiritual, and religious needs. Last summer Professor Berrian Shute delivered a similar series of lectures outlining the elements of music.

A.J.F.

OUTING CLUB BRAVES ICY BLASTS

Sunday, November 5, 1944, saw the start of a Student-Faculty Outing Club. On this day all persons interested in stretching their lower appendages were invited to meet at the Alpha Delta Phi

lounge for the purpose of starting on a hike to Prospect Hill.

At the appointed time there appeared three faculty and three students. This dire lack of interest has been attributed to an icy wind and rain changing to snow rather than the indolence of the College Hill community.

Dr. Sutherland produced a map on which he outlined several trips of about three hours' walking time. Since there seemed to be no reason to delay longer the group headed into the wind on a direct route to the hill and planned to meander back within sight of the reservoir.

We had already become chummy before leaving the campus of our dear Hamilton and penetrated the unknown as a compact fighting unit. After tramping for nearly a mile the group encountered an attempt of the enemy (weather) to discourage it but continued the swift advance and arrived at the base of Prospect Hill in the good time of one hour. After expending this great amount of effort the group ascended the hill in the incredibly short time of five minutes. After conquering the hill, the "Club" was able to see Oneida Lake and surrounding territory. Returning, the group overlooked the origin of the College's efficient and flavorful water supply. More trips are expected.

C.B.M.

GREAT SOUTH HALL FLOODED

Aided by a strong sense of smell, an unknown explorer on November 5 discovered the headwaters of a surging river which by nightfall had overrun the great plains of South Hall. Starting as a small stream the river meandered through the dark ravine of the hall and finally hit the front vestibule, hub of all of South's transportation system. Flowing at an ever increasing rate the broad river, resembling the East River in smell only, threatened the large "Coke" plant located at one end of the main plain.

But reinforcements were brought up by the alarmed inhabitants of the area as the river slowly perilled the residential districts. Douglass and Simpson were the worst threatened, but with great perseverance they threw up hurried breastworks and turned the now turbulent foaming waters toward Ormsby. Emergency squads, however, sent by General Burton, located a leaky water pipe and soon quelled the surging tides. Normal transportation is now restored.

C.C.S.

STUDENTS REVIVE HAMILTONEWS

The reorganization fo the HAMILTONEWS followed as a result of the college sponsored poll to determine what activities the students were willing to support. As soon as the final tabulation became known the general student body, at an open meeting, elected a publications board to get out the first issue and guide the paper through the formative stages.

The publications board, consisting of both editorial and business staffs, is trying to initiate a policy of having different editors run each issue in a competition for that post next semester. The board wanted to run the HAMILTONEWS on a joint basis with the army students at the college, but the army, considering its heavy program, decided that it would be more convenient to contribute to rather than partake in this publication. Thus Marv Karpatkin is writing the army page for the HAMILTONEWS.

The publications board consists of the following members:

Editorial Staff: David C. Simonson '47
Allan J. Fisher '47

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PROFILE . . . . THOMAS BROWN RUDD

Usually when you hear that someone has just had an interview iwth the college president, your thoughts are ones of sympathy. However, you need feel no sympathy for your reporter who has just finished an interview with Mr. Thomas Brown Rudd, acting president of the college.

Mr. Rudd is a man of greatly diversified interests, ranging from rough camping life at his little shack on Baker Creek, in the Adirondacks, to fine administration of his one-time position as District Attorney of Oneida County. He is also a leading member of Utica musical circles, and has contributed a great deal to the advancement of the Boy Scout movement in Utica and Clinton. Dr. Frederick C. Ferry, when presenting him with an honorary degree from the college, said of Mr. Rudd: "You have proved yourself a public servant who combines ability and uncompromising convictions with the appealing qualities of kindliness and human understanding.

Born in Utica, Mr. Rudd had his early schooling at Clinton Union School and Salisbury School, after which he enrolled in the class of 1921 here. He did not, however, graduate from Hamilton, since, caught up by World War I acceleration, he transferred to the Cornell Law School, where he was graduated in 1921. While at Hamilton, Mr. Rudd was a member of Alpha Delta Phi and manager of the baseball team.

After graduating from Cornell, and becoming prominent in Oneida County legal circles, Mr. Rudd was appointed assistant United States District Attorney and in 1932 was elected District Attorney of Oneida County. Throughout this time, he was also a member of various New York and Utica law offices.

A former president of the Utica Civic Musical Society, Mr. Rudd seldom misses a performance by any branch of that organization. He is also a consistent patron of musical and other cultural affairs at the Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute, of which he is executive vice-president and treasurer. Mr. Rudd has been interested in Hamilton ever since he first came here and now, as acting president of the college, this statement seems to express perfectly his aims while in that position. "I want to help you fellows in every way that I possibly can. I'm with you from the start."

D.H.C.

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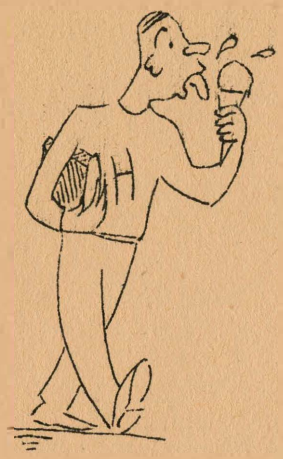

CAMPUS CASUALS

by ALEX & SAM

Recently the civilian student body was thrown into a state of wild confusi n when rumor got around that a noted Hollywood movie star would be present at the next houseparty. Some students were nearly delirious with expectation. The hand of one staunch Republican shook so violently that he found it almost impossible to write his name on a Blue Book. The name "Maxwell" was on everyone'e lips. Then it became uncertain whether that Maxwell was Marylyn, Elsa, or Jack Benny's. Yes, it turned out that the rumor was a gross exaggeration, and Hamilton is back to normal again.

On Halloween night, a pair of gaudy Syrian pajamas was observed floating majestically from the top of the Hamilton flagpole. Too bad that the freshman who knows all about reddish-brown copper hydroxide wasn't in the pajamas.

That strange odor in South is caused by the liniment which is used by those aching members of the six-man football teams. Ouch!

Proof that the G.I. students are contented with life on the campus lies in the fact that only those who are free to leave the Hill on weekends are seen going down the hill as fast as possible. Someone ought to ask them, "Is your trip necessary?"

New Ideas: A chemistry professor has recently advocated the use of old envelopes, shirt-cuffs, and slices of stale bread for preserving assignments. Has he thought of using socks? They make excellent assignment books, and they can be washed out and used over again, too.

The halfway mark of this term will soon be here, and the Dean will be sending out copies of that popular song, "I'd love to spend an hour with you"!! If it weren't for the warnings, some people would never get any mail.

Probably everyone has seen the many dogs which have been running around the campus, but few know why they are here. Rumor has it that the dogs have heard about the good liver which is served in Commons.

If you have any suggestions for this column, write them on the back of an old five-dollar bill and mail to H. Leonard Umbriago, Hubba-Hubba-on-the-Hudson, N. Y.

We have decided to make this column a literary masterpiece, so we must include a pome:

There was a civilian named Kuolt
Who doted on Old Overholt,
But his head got so big
He messed up his Trig,
Which gave Mr. Williams a jolt.

Now that it has cleared away, we feel safe to go on -

Since our pal Mrs. Thomas left, there has been a noticable increase in the number of pale hungry faces that cover the campus in the morning.

We just found out that the fellow who did the obstacle course in 1:45.9 used to run ahead of Gunder Hagg and kick the stones off the track.

If this were a fashion page, we would surely have to mention G.I. Bernie Kaufman's beeautiful khaka ski pants, or are they long handles, Bernie?

STRICTLY G. I.

by Pvt. Marv Karpatkin, 12233013

PROLOGUE: This is the first Army column of the HAMILTONEWS, and it is to be a regular feature for the remainder of the term. This column is for the men of the 3219th, and for them only - - Pre-Meds, B-1's, B-60's, N-30's - - and, we hope, it will always be regarded as nothing but "Strictly G. I. Our aim can be expressed very simply: To have in this G.I. column anything and everything that you who are reading it would like to see - - nothing more, nothing less.

The first round of Army Intra-Mural basketball was played one week ago today, and the results are, to say the least, decisive. Due to the limited playing time available before supper, all games are played on Wednesday evenings, when there is no Retreat ceremony. Even then, however, the time is so short that Coach Mox Weber has had to arrange for three games to be played each Wednesday according to the following schedule: one forty-minute game is played on the South Court with a ten-minute rest between halves, while two games are played on the North Court, each of thirty-minutes. The two teams playing on the North Court alternate their halves, so that the court is in continuous use, even between halves of each other's game.

Last Wednesday in the "long" game Section 4 scored a definite victory over the Section A. Pre-Meds to the tune of 24-18, while the two "short" games were apparently not short enough as far as scores were concerned. The awful figures are: Section #3, 55, Section #1, 16, and Section B, 49, Section #2, 8. No general comments can be made yet except that Sections 1 and 3 had better get on the ball if they want to remain in the running.

Moving now from the gymnasium over to the Sage Building we find some pretty good showings on the obstacle course. First it was Bob Risano of Section 3 who turned in a 1:54.6 which was the best yet for any army man. It wasn't long before Tom Devens of Section 2 hit 1:48.4 and Bob Bloomer, also of Section 2, turned in a terrific 1:45.9 which is the best done yet at Hamilton. Bloomer's time beats the all-time civilian record of 1:46.0 and is really quite something.

FROM THE GRAPEVINE:

A lot of news is coming in about former ASTRPers who are by this time well advanced in basic training. The best success story yet comes from Ed Levine, formerly of Section 4, who resigned early last term. Ed is down in Fort Blanding, Florida in Infantry and has already achieved sergeant's rating. One doesn't wonder about thi this when it's remembered that Ed Levine, in the short time he was here, ran the 3000 shuttle, swam the pool and ran the picks-a-b cks in close to record time.

Also from Fort Blanding Inf ntry comes word from Harold Ort, former B-1 of Section 1. The "chief" writes that he has been recommended for advanced ASTP together with Fred Kasner also of Section 1. They go through 13 weeks of the regular 17 weeks basic and then get sent somewhere for advanced engineering. This is a good break and as far as we know, those two former Dean's List fellows are the only ones who have made it.

There are, however, many Hamilton "alumni" in Blanding, but in infantry proper. A mong these are Bob Dominico and Jack Lefcowitz of the B 1's, Fritz Newhaus, Bud Simon, Muff Rabinowitz, Ed Moody, Wellington Scott of the B 60's and Henry Hoffman, Al Briskin, Tom Burdick, Mark Glaser, and Al Senator of the N 30's. Most of the boys have met each other and there must be somewhat of a Hamilton reunion at Fort Blanding. More Next Issue.

Synskowski and Burns Lead Team to 30-12 Triumph in Six Man Football

Mayes and Horowitch Fail to Halt Star Glittered Opponents

On Monday, October 30, a team led by Dick Burns of Clinton defeated another six man team generalled by Sheldon Horowitch of Binghamton, N.Y. by a score of 30 to 12. Burns featured in 2 scores, once tossing a pass to Harve Williamson, and once racing 40 yards after intercepting a pass to score. Bob Neiswanger, sharp-shooting passer from Indiana, threw two touchdown passes, one to Oscar Cohen and another to Williamson. Kal Synckowski. probably the hardest driving runner on the field, ripped the opposing line to shreds and once scored on a long twisting dash. But the socre did not show the evenness of the game. Twice John Mayes raced for touchdowns for the losers,. Horowitch and Puglisi also played brilliant football, time and time again plunging for long gains. Heinz Wieglemeisser got off some sensational kicks for the vanquished team equalled only by those of Dick Burns.

SCALISE SCORES THREE TIMES AS GOPHERS TROUNCE WHITES.

Those personw who ventured out to see the tussle between Carter's White Hopes and Scalise's Golden Gophers this afternoon, Nov. 1., were treated to a bit of a race. The men in gold had a field day, running up an almost (?) record score of 33 to 0.

Leonard started the game off by booting the ball over Carter's goal line, making it first and fifteen for the Whites on the twenty yard line. On the first play there was a pass off to the right. However, King happened to be in a very nice spot, caught the ball, looked about a minute, and proceeded to drive his way over the goal line. Scalise plaunged over for the extra point.

From then on there was little question of the outcome. In the final tally, Scalise had run the ball over three times, and had passed to Leonhard for a fourth touchdown as well as scoring one of the other extra points. He had good defensive blocking to help out, something Carter, Fisher, Wright and company seemed unable to achieve. Fisher, it might be added, had a rather disturbing way of breaking into the Golden backfield.

If the game will be remembered for nothing else, it will be remembered for its humor. Many times the runners stopped strolling along, looked about, walked out of a tacklers arms, and proceeded down the field. Then at the end of the second period, with twenty seconds to go, someone was heard to yell: "If they get another touchdown, there'll be a body hanging from my window." So, taking him at his word, Scalise raced through three tacklers and went on down to a touchdown

J.R.D.

Neiswanger Passes and Runs Team to Victory over Hapless Opponents. Synakowski Shines for Victors in Long Runs as Team Wins 17-0 on Friday, November third

In the final week of the intramural football series, a team led by Kal Synakowski ran roughshod over its opponents led by Shelly Horowitch. Bob Neiswanger showed brilliant passing and running ability throughout the game, and the charging Synakowski was a thorn in the side of the opposing squad all afternoon. John Mayes played a hard game for the losers.

Not to be dwarfed were his two mates, Horowitch and Puglisi. Carter and Williamson played nice ball for the victors, the latter snaring a pass for one score while carter and the entire line broke through to smear Mayes for a safety with a few minutes remaining in the game. Neiswanger scored on a forty yard run after intercepting a Mayes pass.

D.E.H.

SEASON ENDS WITH CLOSE 14-12 GOLD VICTORY

November 4th the boys played their last game of the season, and it was one of the best. Leonhard captained the team which managed a 14 - 12 victory over Carter, Fisher and Co. With a little luck, Carter might have won.

His team had improved in several ways since the previous game. The line charged into the opposition's backfield and wrecked havoc. On the offense there was that double threat surprise in the person of Pete Ostroff. Pete was out there running and passing for nice gains. The peculiar thing was that he could not see where he was throwing the ball! However, with plunging by Scalise and a nice quarterback job by King, Leonhard managed to gain the victory.

J.R.D.

CAMPUS CASUALS (Continued from Page 4.)

Are the men working on the grounds being paid for raking snow or shoveling leaves?

We understand that the week-end gig or jig detail are the special privileged men who are taken to a dance in Utica every week-end, is that right G.I. 's?

It is rumored that to provide more intra-mural sports, the Physical Education department is inaugurating a series of Tiddledy-Winks games with LaCaesia vs. Goldstein the first game, and Greenwald to play the winner.

We know the names of a lot of the G.I 's, but we can't seem to locate this fellow Umbriago who nobody seems to like.

The store is announcing the receipt of a largequantity of sun-glasses, beach umbrellas, and buoyant pillows for the winter months. The sun-glasses are for snow-bli blindness, the beach umbrellas are for use immediately after taking a high ski jump, a and you can guess what the pillows are for.

That long wailing whistle that was heard one Wednesday night was not an air-raid, but was the direct result of a couple of young ladies walking into the G. I. movies.

We don't mean to gossip, but that tall red-headed Pre-Med (Mason) looks pretty well with braids.

Well, we've got an awful lot of homework to do, almost a whole half-hour, and its pretty late, nearly nine o'clock, so we'll say good night. We'll be back though.

The Purpose of Hamiltonews

By Christmas of 1942 the school spirit of Hamilton College, battered and mauled by the war, gave up the struggle for existence and decided to retire "for the duration". A month before, Hamilton had tied Union 14-14 in the final football game of the season; that November brought the last large Hamilton Houseparty; and Christmas of 1942 saw the last issue of HAMILTONEWS.

For almost two years the spirit of Hamilton staggered but never died. Those of us who were here in 1943 knew that spirit had merely hibernated but had not disappeared altogether. We were hungry for student activities. We felt we were missing an integral part of a college education, and we were determined to bring back that life which we had heard about but had never seen. In the summer of 1943 the college instituted the student military program, and the prospects of extra curricular activities was forced out of the picture by acceleration and strict routine. Until the winter of 1943-44 the students searched for the missing part of their education and attempted to revive interest by holding several minor dances. Something, however, was lacking. The sports program, long a symbol of college life, was stimulated and a basketball team was org nized. But the students did not rally around the wearers of the Buff and Blue.

Then Hamilton College began to revive. We attempted a formal houseparty in the spring of this year. Intramural baseball leagues were organized. By the summer of this year a student council had been formally reinstated, and the traditional houseparty spirit received another shot of adrenalin in the form of a freshman weekend. Now this Hamilton vitality has returned. With the arrival of twenty-two fall freshmen the civilian student body reached a peak of sixty-one students, the highest in a year. The new freshmen were eager for a taste of Hamilton Life, so we went out to give it to them. Within a few days white and blue fresh caps could be seen on the campus. Before we realized it we had attended two lectures, elected a student council, and organized a publication.

The new energy of Hamilton has spread rapidly. The student council, now an active group, has planned and sponsored several new clubs, has revived the Charlatans, and has helped stimulate interest in this publication. It is the purpose of HAMILTONEWS to back student activities and increase interest in them so that the spirit of Hamilton once more may become an essential part of every mans experience. We are beginning rather modestly. Our facilities are limited.

Next semester the college will go back to a peacetime academic basis. It is our hope to prepare the way for the return of peacetime college vitality. HAMILTONEWS will support all student activities, express the views of the student body, and work hard for the welfare of the Buff and Blue.

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